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PRESIDENT WILSON SPEAKS IN NEW YORK BEFORE LEAVING TO ATTEND THE PEACE CONFERENCE

New York, March 4.—President Wilson told the American people in an address here tonight on the eve of his return to Paris that he was going back to the peace conference to battle with renewed vigor for creation of a League of Nations.

"The first thing I am going to tell the people on the other side of the water is that an overwhelming majority of the American people is in favor of the League of Nations," said the president.

Speaking after former President Taft had expounded the main features of the proposed covenant of nations, Mr. Wilson told the vast audience, which filled the Metropolitan Opera House, his opinion of opponents of the league plan in America.

"No party has the right to appropriate this issue, and no party will in the long run dare oppose it," he asserted.

Asserting that the League of Nations is "meant as a notice to all out-law nations that the great peoples of the world will no longer tolerate international crimes" the president said that "Europe is a bit sick at heart at this very moment, because it is seen that statesmen have had no vision and that the only vision has been the vision of the people."

"And I am amazed—not alarmed, but amazed—that there should be in some quarters such a comprehensive ignorance of the state of the world. Those gentlemen do not know what the mind of man is just now. Everybody else does."

"I do not know where they have been closeted; I do not know by what influences they have been blinded; but I do know that they have been separated from the general currents of the thought of mankind."

"And I want to utter this solemn warning not in the way of a threat, the forces of the world do not threaten, they operate. The great tides of the world do not give notice that they are going to rise and run; they rise in their majesty and overwhelming might, and those who stand in the way are overwhelmed. Now the heart of the world is awake, and the heart of the world must be satisfied."

America's soldiers, he said, went overseas feeling they were sacredly bound to the reorganization of these ideals which their president had enunciated when the United States went into the war.

"There is another thing," said the president, "which critics of the league had not observed."

"They not only have not observed the temper of the world, but they have not even observed the temper of those splendid boys in khaki that they sent across the seas."

Of George Washington's warning of entangling alliances, President Wilson said that "the thing that he longed for was just what we are now about to supply an arrangement which will disentangle all the alliances in the whole world."

The president said "critics of the league do not make any impression on me" because "the sentiment of the country is proof against such narrowness and such selfishness at that."

In closing, the president said that America could look forward with confidence to the future for he had heard cheering news since he came to this side of the water about the progress that is being made in Paris towards the discussion and clarification of a great many difficult matters and he believed settlements will begin to be made rather rapidly from this time on at those conferences.

Governor Smith introduced Mr. Taft as the man "who had worn the purple of the president of the United States with grace and honor."

The president smiled broadly when Mr. Taft referred to the resolution introduced in the senate last night by Senator Lodge, proposing rejection of the league of nations' constitution as now drawn.

"If the president insists, as I hope he will," said Mr. Taft, "that the league be incorporated in the peace treaty, and brings it back, then the responsibility for postponing peace is with the body that refuses to ratify it."

Referring to the argument against a league that participation by the U. S. would be in opposition to the principles laid down by George Washington, Mr. Taft declared he believed that Washington, if he lived today would be "one of the most earnest and pressing for the covenant."

Washington's attack on "entangling alliances," he said, was an attack on "defensive and offensive alliances with one nation against another."

The rank and file of the American people are standing firmly behind President Wilson, declared Governor Smith in presenting "the world leader of today—the president of the United States."

Mr. Wilson was cheered for three minutes, while the band played "I

Won't Come Back Till It's Over Over There."

"I accept the invitation the band has just played," said Mr. Wilson. "I will not come back till it's over over there."

The president declared he was convinced "by unmistakable evidences from all part of the country," that the nation was in favor of the league of nations.

"I am more happy because this means this is not a party issue," he said. "This is not a party issue, and not a party in the long run will dare oppose it."

FILIBUSTER IN CONGRESS IS CRITICIZED BY MAYORS

Washington, March 4.—Sharp criticism of congress for not passing appropriation and other measures and of government departments for what was termed failure to co-operate to the full in providing employment and in releasing raw materials, developed at the White House conference of governors and mayors called to consider labor and business problems.

Mayor Rolph of San Francisco, who led the discussion, declared congress had failed to pass great appropriation measures at a time when the country was looking to the federal government to set an example to states and municipalities in the handling of business.

Mayor Mahoney of Newport, R. I., then charged that government plants in his city had refused to re-employ men who left the plants to go to war, some of whom had returned bearing wound stripes. Mayor Peters of Boston said business there would be assisted greatly if the government would come to some determination of policy as to raw materials, such as wool and leather, which were controlled during the war.

Momentary consternation was caused when the deliberations in the historic east room of the White House were interrupted by a man who announced himself as a "representative of Bolshevism in America," and said he had come to hear the representative of Seattle tell of recent troubles in that city. He gave his name as J. C. Parker, an engineer of Philadelphia. His offer to tell the conference of his investigations into social unrest was refused after several delegates made the point that he was not accredited to the conference. Later he left the executive mansion.

Mayor Rolph frequently was interrupted by applause during his discussion of conditions.

"The country and the cities are all right; whatever trouble exists centers right here," the San Francisco mayor declared. "Why did a filibuster defeat the great appropriation measures? Why shouldn't congress be reconvened to take up problems faced by all the states? Why are the government officials resigning? These are some of the questions I want to ask."

Before a corps of special newspaper reporters who met in Santa Fe last Saturday Gov. Larrazolo set into motion certain cogs of publicity which are calculated to justify his educational plan before the people of the state and to pacify the opposition to the point of making less severe the grilling which seemed in the path of the bi-lingual bill in the legislature.

Although certain press organs of the state have sought to explain the governor's educational plan, it is held by most educators that the governor has not receded from his determination to force Spanish into the state's schools, and that the interview which was given to the public last week was but a scene of camouflage on the part of the party newspapers. That the governor is determined to force his point it is said became evident during the course of the interview with the newspaper reporters when the state's executive is alleged to have become almost vitriolic in his denunciation of opposition to his educational plan.

MISS STECKMAN ENTERTAINS
The R. A. G. club met with Miss Vivienne Steckman Wednesday night. After the business meeting the girls enjoyed a rare treat of sandwiches, made of canned "Bully Beef" used by the soldiers in the trenches. Miss Arabelle DeOliviera was responsible for this treat. The hostess entertained the girls with a line party at the H-H Theatre. The next meeting, on Wednesday night, March 12th, will be with Miss Lucille Manney.

The Womens Club met last week with Mrs. W. B. Rector and a very studeous meeting was held. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Wahlberg on Wednesday, March 12 with Mrs. Wm. Troup as leader. The program will be "Home Economics" and the program leaders will be Mesdames Hamilton, Sample and Wahlberg. Answer to roll call will be "Home Economy."

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WILL SOON DRILL AT ENDEE

J. M. Allen was in Tucumcari this week from Endee. He reports the oil fever practically beyond the first stage and the prospect for a driller within the next month is quite favorable. He said, "L. B. Newby and Company of Amarillo, wealthy dealers in lumber, having some fourteen lumber yards in the state of Texas, was out to Endee last year and furnished the material for our new school house. He became interested in our oil prospects having had much experience in the Texas oil fields and promised to drill us a well at least 4000 feet deep if necessary to find oil if we would block out a tract of 30,000 acres of land in and around Endee. This we promised to do and we now have more than 25,000 acres under lease to turn over to Mr. Newby. He will be in Endee this week to close the deal and promises to have a drill on the ground as soon as possible, and being in touch with such men it is expected that operations will begin before the first of April."

"This body of land will lie from the Texas line mostly north of Endee extending to the Rana district, and Mr. Newby is accompanied by a geologist who is to pick out the best place to start the first well."

The land-owners of Endee vicinity are anxious to have a test well put down and there only contract is that said well be put down within one year and there is no charge for acreage to Mr. Newby, the only consideration being the sinking of a well 4000 feet deep or until oil is found. The property owners depend upon the 1-8 royalty to pay for their part, and if a big supply is found there is little doubt about the proposition being a winner.

TUCUMCARI OIL EXCHANGE
Tucumcari Oil Exchange has been organized and is now open for business in the office with E. W. Bowen Agency. Mr. Chas. W. Martin, who was formerly with the government service has decided to cast his lot in Tucumcari and has charge of the new enterprise and will manage the business end of the enterprise.

Mr. Martin is a man with wide experience and should make good. He expects to handle all classes of oil, gas and mining leases and royalties. The News wishes this new business success.

The Chicken dinner given by the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church on Washington's Birthday was a splendid success, and the ladies wish to extend their thanks to all those who so kindly helped make the affair such a success. They have now cleared the fine sum of \$80.

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Severe Penalties.
The new Revenue Law places severe penalties on a person who fails to make return on time, refuses to make return or renders a fraudulent return. For failure to make return and pay tax on time a fine of not more than \$1,000 is named and 25 per cent of the tax due is added to the assessment. For refusing willfully to make return or for making a false or fraudulent return there is a fine of not exceeding \$10,000 and imprisonment of not exceeding one year, or both.

Farmers' Income Taxable.
Every farmer and ranchman who had a fair or a good year in 1918 must heed the Income Tax this year. He must consider all his income as taxable. He is entitled to deduct from his gross income all amounts expended in carrying on his farm. The cost of farm machinery, farm buildings and improvements cannot be deducted. The cost of live stock, either for resale or for breeding purposes, is also regarded as investment.

Overtime and Bonuses Taxed.
Salary and wage earners must consider as taxable every item received from employers and from other sources. Bonuses and overtime pay are to be reported as well as the regular payments.

Allowances for Losses.
Losses sustained in 1918 and not covered by insurance are deductible items if incurred in the taxpayer's business or trade, in any transaction undertaken for profit or arising from fire, storm, shipwreck or other casualty or from theft.

SQUARE DEAL FOR EVERY INCOME TAX PAYER.
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GAVEL WORK IS EXCELLENT

Right after the discordant elements in the house had apparently smoothed out and the Republican machine had been put in fine running order, the entire organization blew up again when the Neptism bill was introduced by Carter of Socorro. Herbert of Chaves democrat, led the fight against the bill and Speaker Sedillo helped the fun along by some of the most arbitrary gavel work that has ever been seen in the house. So unjust were some of his decisions that Carter appealed from one ruling and asked if it would be possible to discover a method by which the house could protect itself against a decision that was unfair and wrong, and Clancy broke out in a bitter attack on Sedillo for debating this and other bills from the chair, as he had done repeatedly, instead of surrendering the chair and speaking from the floor of the house.

The bill was finally passed with a slight amendment but not until the father of the measure had threatened to disrupt the entire organization rather than submit to the methods that were invoked by the speaker. The bill is likely to cause much perturbation among some of the state office holders, who are said to have packed their offices with relatives irrespective of their qualifications for the work to be done.

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TUCSON GETS CATTLEMEN'S CONVENTION FOR 1920—TUCUMCARI BAND MAKES BIG HIT IN EL PASO

El Paso, Texas, March 6, 4:30 p. m. —We lost the fight for the Cattle-men's Convention. Tucson won, good night. JAMES.

The above message was received by U. S. Devor, president of the commercial club this evening from Mayor M. R. James, who accompanied the band to El Paso. While the news was a surprise to Mr. Devor, he believes Tucumcari will be well-paid for the expense of putting up a fight for the big convention. In other words he believes "it is better to fight and lose than not to fight at all." So the band has done its part. The boys let El Paso know that Tucumcari is on the map and must be reckoned with in the future.

The Tucumcari delegation in El Paso accompanied by the Cowboy Band, is making quite an impression in the "pass city" and it now looks like the boys would bring home the "bacon."

Word was received this morning that they were pulling off stunts that were quite enjoyable to the visiting cattlemen as well as the citizens of El Paso and from the El Paso Herald it looks like the fight had now narrowed down to two cities—Tucumcari and Tucson—with Tucumcari being the favorite.

The following clippings from the Herald and the Times will give the citizens of Tucumcari some idea of what the boys are accomplishing and we should just as well get ready to handle the big convention next year as it now seems sure of coming here. Tucumcari has never yet failed to handle any proposition it has been called upon to handle, so the cattlemen may as well look forward to their visit to Tucumcari in 1920.

Herald: "With Tucumcari about settled on as the next meeting place, discussion hinges on who will be the next officials of the Panhandle & Southwestern Cattle Association. After the session Wednesday morning the cattlemen were taken in automobiles by El Pasoans to the Peyton packing plant for a barbecue and an inspection of the packery at 1 o'clock. This evening the cattlemen will be entertained with a boxing match in Liberty Hall."

A three-column picture of the Tucumcari band was printed in an adjoining column under the heading of "Tucumcari brings a Cowboy Band After the Cattlemen for the 1920 Convention" with the following writ-up: "Throw your lariat for Tucumcari in 9-teen-20" is the inscription on the cards the Tucumcari bunch is passing out among the cattlemen. Tucumcari is here "strong" with a cowboy band after the next convention of the Panhandle and Southwestern Association and it looks as if that New Mexico city would land the meeting.

"The members of the band are P. A. James, band leader, engaged by the Tucumcari chamber of commerce for this purpose; E. J. Corn, E. F. Dunn, Chas. McFarland, L. Blitz, O. Sandusky, Milas Hurley, Jim Rhoades and Tom Ridley."

"Tucumcari's 'cowboy band' is made up of leading business men of that city. They wear broad brimmed Stetsons, silk shirts, chaps and all the usual cowboy 'trimmings' including vari-colored silk neckerchiefs. Mayor M. R. James is with the delegation, and F. C. Beebe, the very live secretary of the very live Tucumcari Chamber of Commerce, is helping to keep things in shape. He can prove to any inquiring cattlemen that Tucumcari is the only logical place for any sort of a cow gathering on earth."

"We are here to get that convention and we want the members to know that we can take care of them in good shape, too," said Mr. Beebe. "We took care of thousands of people last August at our third annual roundup and we are to have a new hotel of 100 rooms, or more, built now very soon. At our last August roundup our Round up Association, of which I am secretary, distributed \$6000 in prizes. We can promise the Panhandle & Southwestern Stockmen's Association a good time and every inducement to come to Tucumcari."

"Fort Worth has done some talking about going after the meeting, but the members consider Fort Worth too far away, so there is no chance for the Panther city. Carrizozo is also after the meeting, but is not considered large enough to properly care for so many delegates."

The Times gave a lengthy write-up of the convention and started off with the heading "Tucumcari and Ft. Worth Fight for 1920 Convention of Stockmen's Association," following with the write-up: "Where will the 1920 convention of the Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's Association be held? 'Who will be the officers of the association for the coming year? 'These are two questions which oc-

cupied the chief attention of the visiting stockmen yesterday afternoon.

"Tucumcari, N. M., thus far has made the strongest bid for the 1920 convention. 'Pep,' concentrated and well displayed, is the chief characteristic of the Tucumcari delegation."

"The unusual feature of a cowboy band is drawing the attention of the entire convention to the Tucumcari delegation. Free with their music, unique in their costumes, the bandsmen made a decided hit at their first appearance yesterday. The bandsmen are attired in chaps, boots, spurs, silk shirts, many-hued kerchiefs, broad-brimmed hats, and all that makes the garb of a plainsman complete. Their specialty is jazz music, which sets the foot of tapping and the listening of dreaming."

"Fort Worth also has made a claim for the 1920 convention, but the general opinion is that the cowmen will gather next year in Tucumcari."

"Charles F. Vowell will present the claims of the Tucumcari delegation at the meeting Wednesday."

NINETY-NINE
It may be of interest to the readers to know where "Ninety-Nine" is. This is a school district carved out of old No. 12 in the southern part of Union county and is embraced in Twp. 16, Range 31.

These "sand hills" as this part is called, is settled by a bunch of thrifty farmers from the east and they are here to stay, and since they are making good crops they will not only stay but are looking forward to improving their farms. Another good crop will place these people independent.

Say, did you know this land produced as high as \$40 to the acre last year? Well, it did, and there was plenty of it that did that well.

Just now there is some uncertainty as to what to plant this year. Beans have gone to the bottom and so has broom corn. We hear that down near Logan they are going to plant cotton. Cotton would do well if we would have a real warm summer with warm nights, but if it is as it usually is, cotton will not do well.

Better stick to kafir, milo and raise hogs to feed it to.

We continue to have snow and some rain both of which keep the ground in fine condition.

Some of the cattle are dying, but considering the cold winter they have done quite well.

Ben Drummond has returned home from Honolulu where he has been in the army.

Silas Anderson and Manual Fuentes returned from camp Pike some time ago.

J. C. Gallegos is back from San Antonio. We are glad to see the boys return, but our friend and neighbor Miles Cooper, lies in France.

Flu has just visited this community and put nearly everybody in bed at one time, hardly leaving enough well to care for the sick. No fatalities are reported.

Mrs. Bob Rogers is to be our new postmistress.

LETTER FROM EARL RHODES
France, Feb. 7, 1919.

Dearest Mother and All:
Well, this is my first step toward home. Perhaps by the time you receive this I'll be on my way home.

The place I'm in is five miles from St. Oignon. We will go to a port and from there to U. S. A.

While at Nice I saw Jumbo Smith, that little engineer on the E. P. & S. W. Railway. Don't send any more mail as I won't get it. Good night.

Yours as ever,
EARL.

J. T. White was here this week on his way to Nara Visa in the interest of the oil magnets. He reports ties being thrown off the T. & L. M. two or three miles this side of Lesbia, where some of the railroad officials claimed a spur would be built for the unloading of oil machinery. Let us hope the report is well-founded and a real oil well will be put down and the dream of the land-owner as well as the noted geologists will come true and the biggest oil field in the United States will be developed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hamilton of this city, received a letter this week from Rev. A. N. Evans president of Howard Payne College at Fayette, Mo., in which he said, "Your daughter, Miss Bessie Bonnie is one of the three girls elected to membership of the Phi Theta Kappa Sorority, an honorary society and her election to membership is entirely on the basis of scholarship."

This shows Miss Hamilton is making good in college. It will be remembered that she made the highest grade of any pupil in the eighth grade in the Tucumcari schools four years ago and her many friends are proud of this splendid showing.